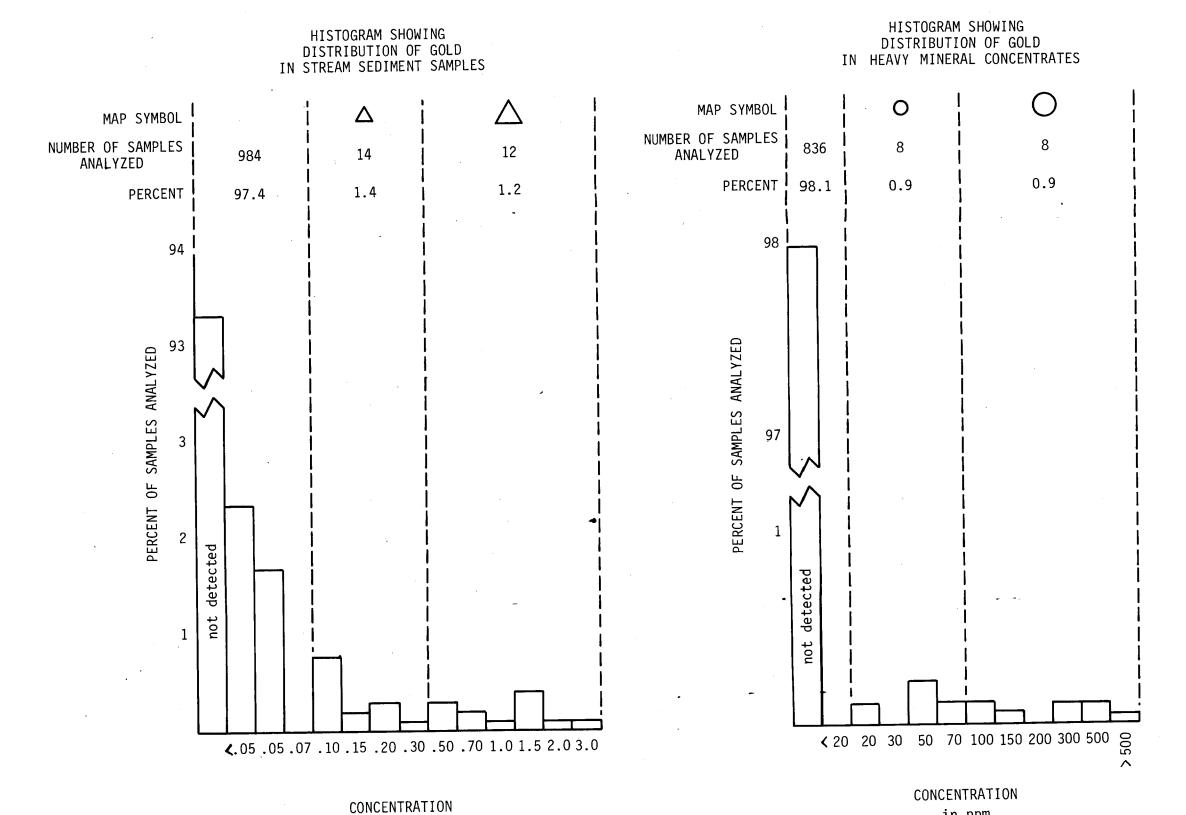
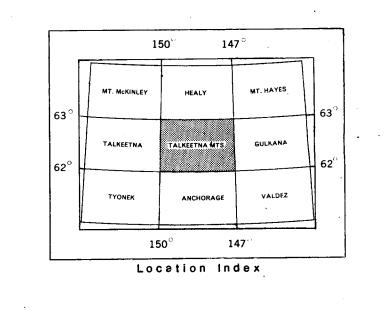
Base map from U.S. Geological Survey, 1:250,000 Talkeetna Mountains Quadrangle, Alaska, 1955





in ppm



EXPLANATION OF GEOCHEMICAL MAP SYMBOLS

Location of heavy mineral concentrate

Location of both stream sediment and

Stream sediment sample with possibly significant gold value. Increase

in symbol size indicates higher

O - Heavy mineral concentrate sample with

possibly significant gold value.

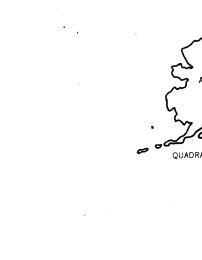
analytical value as shown on histogram.

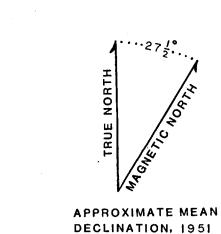
Increase in symbol size indicates higher

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heavy mineral concentrate sample

▲ - Location of stream sediment sample





EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In the course of U.S.Geological Survey investigations of the Talkeetna Mountains quadrangle, 1118 stream sediment, 852 heavy mineral concentrate, and 501 rock samples were collected. All of these samples were analyzed for up to 30 elements by a six-step semi-quantitative spectrographic method(Grimes and Marranzino, 1968). Most of the stream sediment and rock samples were also analyzed for up to 4 elements by atomic absorption spectrophotometry, as described by Ward and others(1969). The present map shows the sample collection sites of 1010 stream sediment samples and 852 heavy mineral concentrates which were analyzed for gold by the atomic absorption and spectrographic methods, respectively. Complete analytical data plus location maps, station coordinates, and discussion of sampling and analytical procedures for samples from sites shown on the present map are published in a report by Miller and others(1978).

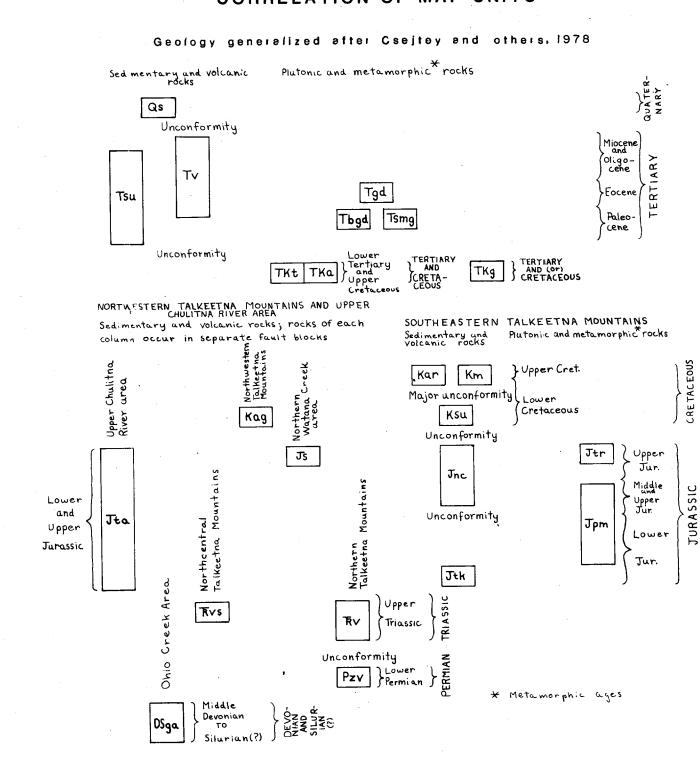
Concentration of metals in geochemical samples varies for different lithologies and in different areas. Because of this, as well as variability introduced from other sources such as sampling practice, analytical variance, and degree of chemical weathering, it is impossible to select a specific analytical level above which values might indicate the presence of gold deposits. For this reason, the analytical values have been grouped into ranges (see histograms), each range being represented by a different symbol on the map. Higher values may indicate a greater likelihood of gold deposits, but confidence levels are low for "single-element" anomalies and for results which are not supported by neighboring values.

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Folio of the TALKEETNA MOUNTAINS Quadrangle, Alaska

CORRELATION OF MAP UNITS



DESCRIPTION OF MAP UNITS

- Qs SURFICIAL DEPOSITS, UNDIFFERENTIATED (Quaternary).

 Tv VOLCANIC ROCKS, UNDIVIDED (Paleocene to Pleistocene(?))--Felsic and mafic subaerial volcanic rocks and related shallow intru-
- Tsu TERTIARY SEDIMENTARY ROCKS, UNDIFFERENTIATED (Paleocene to Miocene)--Terrestrial, mostly fluviatile strata with a few lignite
 interbeds.
- Tgd GRANODIORITE (Eocene).

 Tbgd BIOTITE AND HORNBLENDE GRANODIORITE (Paleocene, in part early
- Tsmg SCHIST, MIGMATITE, AND GRANITE (Paleocene intrusive and metamorphic ages)--Migmatitic border zone of biotite and hornblende granodiorite.
- TKt TONALITE (Upper Cretaceous and lower Paleocene).

 TKa ADAMELLITE (Upper Cretaceous and lower Paleocene).
- TKg GRANITIC ROCKS, UNDIVIDED (Cretaceous and (or) Tertiary).
- Kar ARKOSE RIDGE FORMATION (Lower and (or) Upper Cretaceous).

 Km MATANUSKA FORMATION (Lower and Upper Cretaceous).
- Ksu SEDIMENTARY ROCKS, UNDIVIDED (Lower Cretaceous)--Shallow marine sequence of calcareous sandstone, claystone, and massive clastic limestone.
- limestone.

 Kag ARGILLITE AND LITHIC GRAYWACKE (Lower Cretaceous)--Intercalated,
- marine, flyschlike sequence.

 s SEDIMENTARY AND VOLCANIC ROCKS, UNDIVIDED (Upper Jurassic)-Marine sequence of argillite, graywacke, conglomerate, and
 andesitic to latitic feldspar porphyry dikes and intercalated

- V
 - Jnc JURASSIC SEDIMENTARY ROCKS, UNDIVIDED (Middle and Upper Jurassic)
 - --Includes Naknek and Chinitna Formations, and Tuxedni Group.

 Jta CRYSTAL TUFF, ARGILLITE, CHERT, GRAYWACKE, AND LIMESTONE (Lower to Upper Jurassic)--Shallow to moderately deep marine, inter-

 - Jtk TALKEETNA FORMATION (Lower Jurassic).

Jtr TRONDHJEMITE (Upper Jurassic)

- TRVS METABASALT AND SLATE (Upper Triassic)--Intercalated, shallow-water marine sequence.
- TRV BASALTIC METAVOLCANIC ROCKS (Upper Triassic)--Mainly shallow water marine metabasalt flows.
- Pzv BASALTIC AND ANDESITIC METAVOLCANOGENIC ROCKS (Pennsylvanian(?) and Early Permian)--Metamorphosed marine sequence of interlayered basaltic to andesitic flows, tuffs, coarse volcaniclastic rocks, and subordinate mudstone and limestone.
- DSga GRAYWACKE, ARGILLITE, SHALE, AND LIMESTONE (Silurian(?) to Middle

 Devonian)-Intercalated marine sequence, probably continental

EXPLANATION OF GEOLOGIC MAP SYMBOLS

Approximate contact of surficial deposits

U
Fault

Long dashed where approximately located; short dashed where inferred;
dotted where concealed. U indicates upthrown side where direction
of displacement is known. Arrows indicate relative lateral movement

Thrust fault

Long dashed where approximately located, dotted where concealed.

Teeth indicate upthrown side.

Approximate axis of intense shear zone of variable width, possibly
marking a thrust fault

Dotted where concealed; teeth indicate possible upthrown side of
postulated thrust

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MAP SHOWING GEOCHEMICAL DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE OF GOLD IN STREAM SEDIMENTS AND HEAVY MINERAL CONCENTRATES, TALKEETNA MOUNTAINS QUADRANGLE, ALASKA

sample